

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
WORK SESSION

October 12, 2010
8:55 P.M.

Present: Council members; Maughan, Maguire, Hopper, and Mayor Ruschman

Absent: Councilmember Viola and Council President Kane

Also Present: Robert Mancinelli, Borough Attorney
Helene Fall, Administrator
Colleen Ennis, CFO
Kelley O'Donnell, Borough Clerk

Mayor Ruschman read the compliance statement earlier as required by the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- **Fifth Street Culvert Project**
 - Fifth Street Phase II – Plans currently are curbing and paving only
 - Work never intended to address problems with undersized culvert and resident flooding complaint
 - Eve Mancuso spoke with Bergen County Hydraulics Engineer
 - A study was performed in the 1970's which confirmed the culvert was undersized
 - Concerns with NJDEP permitting process
 - Eve Mancuso suggested proceeding with the survey a feasibility study and then schedule a preliminary meeting with NJDEP
 - Proposal received from Eve Mancuso for \$14,000
 - Money has not been budgeted
 - **Ms. Fall's recommendation was to hold for 2011 Budget consideration**
 - Ms. Fall recommended making a request to County to share in the cost
 - Ms. Fall advised those present that we will have a better idea of the budget in November
 - Ms. Fall will write to the County to ask their participation in a joint study
 - Presumes work was done by County in the past
 - Mr. Frazza can submit an OPRA request to the County for information on work done in the past on the culvert
 - Borough feeling is that it is the County's responsibility
 - The Borough and County to not have equipment that can be used to clear the stream
 - Council discussion on the time involved if DEP permitting is required

- **BCUA Solid Waste Agreement**
 - Waste Management has agreed not to increase our tipping fees through 12/31/2010
 - Waste will be brought to Hillsdale transfer station
 - Borough will enter into agreement with BCUA
 - Rate is currently \$16/ton more than we are currently paying
 - Rate is held through 05/31/2013 – Bergen County Coop
 - **Ms. Fall recommends entering into agreement through 5/31/2011**
 - Our solid waste contract expires then

- **Train Station**
 - Ms. Fall recommending authorizing change order for \$8,500
 - NJDOT may pay for additional work
 - Sidewalk by signal box has to be moved to allow for one foot clearance
 - **Council agrees**
 - Councilman Hopper asks for size of crew and number o hours to perform work

- **Labor Counsel Billing - \$750**
 - Did not appoint Mark Ruderman, Esq.
 - Has been used on an “as needed” basis
 - Council asks for itemized billing

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT

- **Towing Permits**
 - I will be advertising for Towing Permits.
 - The process has been in the past that the police review all applicants and make a recommendation to the Borough of 3 which are called upon on a rotating basis.
 - Current permits expire 12/31/2010.

- **Chamber Mixer**
 - Please remind the M&C tonight of the Chamber Mixer tomorrow 5-7 and off course you are invited as well. Mariner’s Bank on Kinderkamack Road.

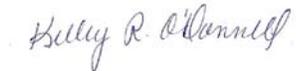
CFO REPORT

- **2011 Budget**
 - Request received from Fire Department
 - Deposit for their dinner
 - Deposit is \$1,000
 - Dinner typically costs \$10,000 - \$11,000
 - Councilman Hopper – supports
 - Councilman Maguire – supports rewarding volunteers
- Council discussion on combining all committees into one holiday party
 - Councilman Hopper suggests the Elks Lodge
 - Discussion on finding out the cost to rent hall
 - Cash bar and catered food

- Combine committees and employees
- **Council approves Fire Department party**
- **Councilman Hopper stated that PRAA is having a difficult time selling raffle tickets**
 - Asks if sign can be put on non-functioning electronic sign
 - **All present agree**

Work Session adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelley R. O'Donnell, RMC
Borough Clerk